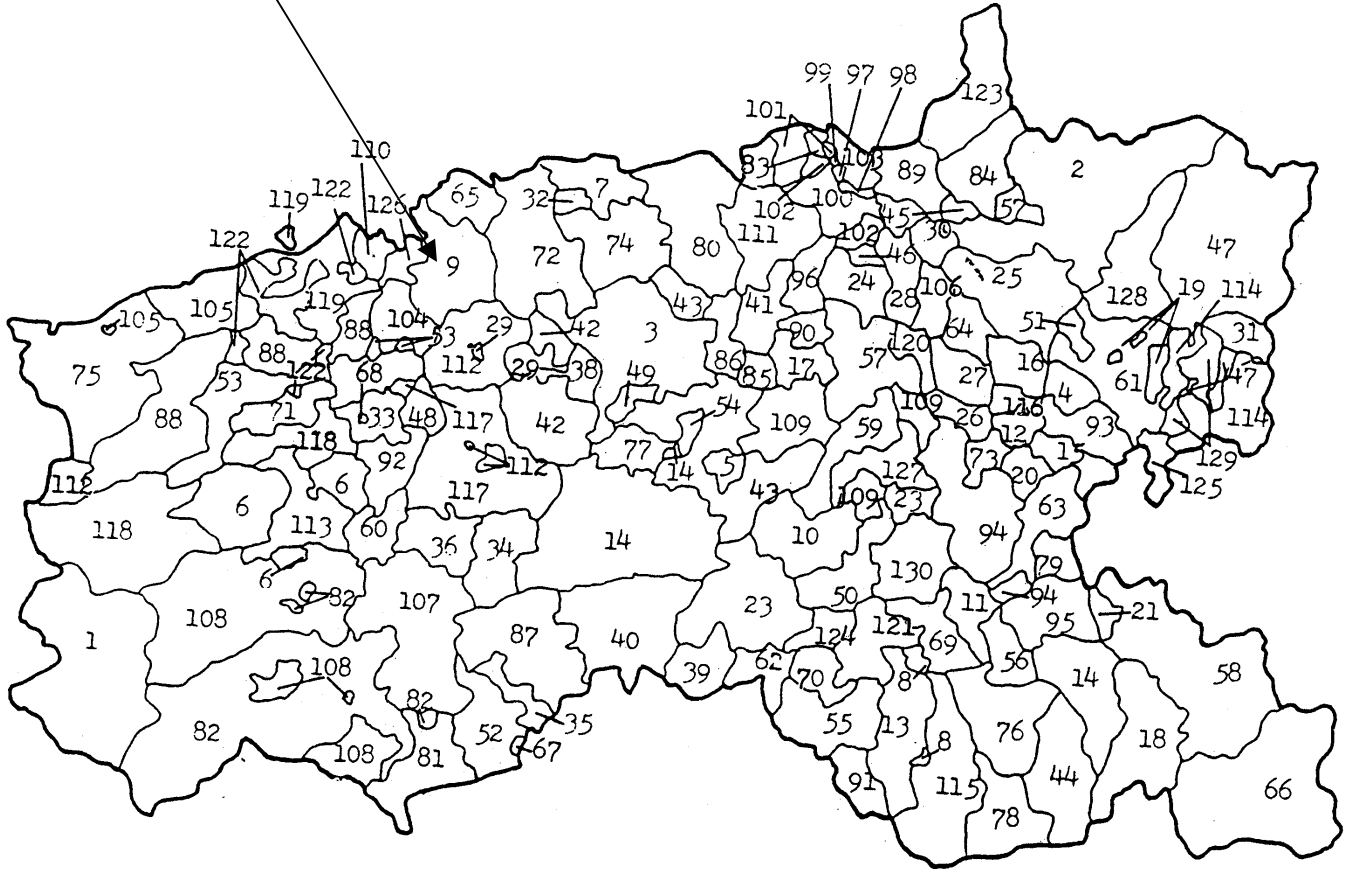


**No. 9 - ASKEATON**



**PARISH OF ASKEATON - BARONY OF CONNELLO LOWER**

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Askeaton Parish           -- Boundary Surveyor's Sk. Map 1.

Eas Geiphtine, the cataract of Geiphtin. J. O'D

Askeaton

-- J. O'D.

-- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar

-- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.

-- Sur. & Val. Ireland 1824

-- Barony Map

-- Lord Guillamore, Bruff.

-- Down Survey

Asketton

-- Civil Survey 1654-1656

This parish is situated in the North of the County, in the Barony of Connello Lower.

According to Fitzgerald in his History of Limerick, it is a Vicarage in the Diocese of Limerick. It is of an oblong form. Its greatest length, from the Td. of Court Browne in the N. to Ballynacaheragh in the S. (passing through the town of Askeaton), is 5 statute miles; and its greatest breadth from Coolrahnee in the W. (from the point where the Askeaton and Tarbert road crosses the parish boundary) to Ballyengland in the E. (at the point where the Limerick and Askeaton road crosses the boundary) is 3½ statute miles.

Askeaton                   -- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map       2

See parish name.

Situated in the S. of the parish. There is 1 fort in this townland.

The property of Sir Mathew Blackiston, England. Agent, H. Taylor, Esq., 10 Thomas St., Limerick. Middleman, R. Hunt, Inchyrourk House, on a lease for ever, who occupies a part and sublets the remainder to 25 tenants, 5 of whom

have leases of 3 lives, and the remainder at will. Rent from £1 4s. to £3 6s. per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/8 to 3s. Tithe per acre from 3s. to 5s. Size of farms: 1 to 80 acres. Soil good, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Inchyrourk House, the residence of Middleman R. Hunt, forms three sides of a rectangle, ; it is 3 stories high and in bad repair. It was built about 90 years ago.

<u>Aghalacka</u>	-- B. S. S. M.	3
Áith a' Leaca, ford of the flagstone. J. O'D.		
Aghalacka	-- J. O'D.	
	-- Revd. E. Cussen, P.P.	
Alackey	-- Barony Map	
Athlacka	-- Acts of Settlement &c.	

Situated in the N. of the parish. There are 2 forts here.

The property of Sir Mathew Blackiston, England. Agent, H. Taylor, 10 Thomas St., Limeřrk. Middleman, William Hewson, Ballyengland, on a lease for ever, who sublets a part to Henry Collis, Esq., Limerick, on a lease for ever, who again sublets to Robert Creed, Esq., Askeaton, on a lease for ever, who sublets to two tenants at will. W. Hewson sublets the remaining part at will. Rent per acre from £1 to £2 10s. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/6 to 3/10. Tithe per acre from 2s. to 4s. Size of farms: 7 to 49 acres. Soil light, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Prevailing Names: Moran and Mulcare.

<u>Ballyengland Upper</u>	-- B. S. S. M.	4
Baile na nGleónt. This is probably called from a family. J.O'D.		
Ballyengland Upper	-- J. O'D.	
	-- Revd. George Maxwell Vicar	
	-- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.	
	-- Barony Map	
	-- Presentment Book 1839	
Upper Englandstowne	-- Civil Survey 1654-1656	

Situated in the S. portion of the parish.

The property of Sir Mathew Blakiston, England. Agent, H. Taylor, Esq., Limerick. Middleman, Thomas Hewson, Castle Hewson, who occupies a part, and sublets the remainder to 3 tenants, one of whom has a lease of years, and the other two are tenants at will. Rent per acre from £1 to £1 10s. Co. Cess per acre from 2/8 to 3s. Tithe per acre from 9d. to 2s. Size of farms from 20 to 61 acres. Soil light, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Names: O'Shaughnessy. Castle Hewson House and Castle Hewson ruins stand here. There are two ancient forts in the td.

Ballynort (contd.)

The property of Edwd Taylor Massey, Esq, Wales, and Darby O'Grady, Esq., Linfield, Pallas Green. Agent to Mr. Massey, Edwd. Green, Rsq., Greenmount. The land is let to 30 tenants at will; rent from 12s. to £1 12s. 6d. per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/6 to 3/10. Tithe per acre from 1/6 to 3s. Size of farms from 1 to 30 acres. Soil part craggy and part light, producing wheat, oats, and potatoes. Bog scarce. Prevailing Names: Hanly and Fitzgerald. The ruins of Ballynort House stand here. It was formerly the residence of the Taylor Family, and was a rectangular-shaped building. Its walls are now much dilapidated.

Ballyvaddock

-- B.S.S.M.

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Baile Mhadoch, Maddock's town. J. O'D.

Ballyvaddock

-- J. O'D.

-- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar

-- Revd. Edwd Cussen, P.P.

Ballivadork

-- Down Survey

Situating in the N. of the parish.

The property of Edwd. Taylor Massey, Esq., Wales, and Henry Tynan, Esq., Limerick, who is also Middleman to Mr. Taylor Massey. Let to 16 occupying tenants on a lease of one life at 30s. per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/6 to 3/6. Tithe per acre from 1/6 to 2/6. Size of farms: 1 to 20 acres. Soil loamy, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Prevailing Names: Mulqueen and Corbett.

Ballynash

-- B.S.S.M.

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Baile an Naisigh, Naish's town. Naish is still a respectable name in the County. J. O'D.

Ballynash

-- J. O'D.

-- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar

-- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.

Presentment Book 1839

-- Sur. &amp; Val. Ireland 1824

Ballinash

-- Civil Survey 1654-1656

Ballynas als. Ballynash

-- Acts of Settlemt. &amp;c.

In the N.W. portion of the parish.

The property of the Earl of Cork. Agent, Daniel Leahy, Esq., Shanskilc House, Cork, who lets to Captn. John Hunt on a lease of 3 lives; rent per acre £2. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/6 to 3/10. Tithe per acre 4s. Size of farms: 47 acres. Soil good, producing wheat, oats, and potatoes. Fuel scarce. The R. Deel waters this td. The ruins of Ballynash Castle cannot be traced. Ballynash House, a rectangular building two stories high in bad repair, stands here. There is a plain garden and a set of offices. The house is occupied by Captain John Hunt.

Baunreagh -- B.S.S.M. 11

Bán Riach, grey field. J. O'D.

Baunreagh -- J. O'D.

-- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar

-- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.

Bawnreigh -- Sur. &amp; Val. of Ireland 1824

-- Presentment Book 1839

Banrigh -- Civil Survey 1654-1656

Situating in the S. of the parish.

The property of Carrol Nash, Esq., Ballycullen House, Askeaton. Let to one tenant on a lease of two lives at 18s. per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 3s. to 3/6. Tithe per acre from 1/3 to 2s. Size of farms 70 acres. Soil argillaceous, producing wheats, oats, and potatoes. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Names: Downey.

Cloonreask -- B.S.S.M. 12

Cluain Riaig, the lawn, meadow, or bog island of the moor. J. O'D.

Cloonreask -- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar

-- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.

Cluonruosk -- Barony Map

Situating in the west of the parish.

The property of Sir Mathew Blackiston, England. Agent, Mr. H. Taylor, Esq., Limerick. Middleman, Wm. Hewson, Esq., Castle Hewson, Askeaton, sublets to 18 tenants at will. Rent from £1 10 to £2 10 per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2s. 6d. to 3s. 10d. Tithe per acre from 1/6 to 3/6. Size of farms: 6 to 40 acres. Soil light, producing wheat, oats, and potatoes. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Names: Mulqueen and Mulcare. There are 3 ancient forts here.

Coolraheen -- B. S. S. M. 13

Cúil Raithnighe, corner or angle of the ferns. J. O'D.

Coolrahnee -- J. O'D.

-ranny sometimes adopted, and at other times -rainy & -rainey. The name of this td. is the same as that of Coleraine.

Coolranhe -- Rev. George Maxwell, Vicar.

Coolrannee -- Rev. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.

Coolranny -- Barony Map

Situating in the west extremity of the parish.

The property of Sir Mathew Blackiston, England. Agent, H. Taylor, Limerick. Middleman, Mr. Murphy, Cork, on a lease for ever, who sublets one part to Vincent Brown, Esq.,

Court Matrix, Rathkeal, on a lease of 3 lives, and another part to Wm. Hewson, Castle Hewson, and the third part to 4 tenants. There are 6 tenants at will on Mr. Browne's part, and one on Mr. Hewson's part. Rent per acre from £1 11s. 6d. to £2 7s. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/6 to 3/6. Tithe per acre 3s. Size of farms: 4 to 27 acres. Soil good, producing wheat, oats, and potatoes. Fuel scarce.

Court Browne -- B.S.S.M. 14

Cúirt a' Bhrúnaigh, Brown's Court. J. O'D.

Court Brown

-- J. O'D.

Court Browne

-- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar

-- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.

-- Lord Guillamore, Propr.

Court Brown

-- Barony Map

Courtebrowne

-- Civil Survey 1654-1656

Situated in the north extremity of the parish.

The property of Lord Guillamore, Rockbarton, Bruff, and the Earl of Cork. Agent to the former, the Hon. John O'Grady; to the latter, Daniel Leahy, Cork. Middleman, Thomas Davenport, Ballinacourty, and John Hunt, Ballynash, who sublet to 22 tenants at will. Rent per acre from £2 to £4 4s. The Earl of Cork also lets to 10 tenants on a lease of 1 life or 21 years. Rent per acre £1 6s. to £1 8s. The ruins of Court Brown Castle stands here, of which only the west wall remains standing; the remainder is razed to the ground. There are 4 ancient forts here.

Cragmore -- B.S.S.M. 15

Craig Mór, the great crag or rock. J. O'D.

Cragmore

-- J. O'D.

-- Revd. George Maxwell

-- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.

Barony Map.

Situated in the south of the parish. There are 9 forts here.

The property of Sir Mathew Blackiston, England. Agent, Mr. Brown, Thomas Street, Limerick. Middleman, Robert Hunt, Esq. Inchyrourk Ho., Askeaton, who sublets to 16 tenants, 13 at will, and 3 have leases of 31 years. Rent per acre from 13s. to £1 10s. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2s.6d. to 3/6. Tithe per acre from 1/2 to 2s. Size of farms: 3 to 120 acres. Soil light and craggy, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Names: McDonald and Connelly.

Galway -- B.S.S.M. 16

Galway

-- B.S.S.M.

16

Gall-mhagh, English-plain. This name does not seem synonymous with the name of the town of Galway, in Connaught.

Galway -- J. O'D  
 -- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar  
 -- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.  
 Gallaway -- Barony Map  
 -- Presentment Book 1839

Situated in the north of the parish. It is bounded by a road on the west.

The property of Edward Taylor Massey, Esq., Wales, and Darby O'Grady, Esq., Linfield, Pallas Green. Agent to the former, Edwd. J. Green, Greenmount, Patrick's Well. Let to 16 tenants at will. Rent per acre from 10s. to 25s. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/6 to 3/10. Tithe per acre from 1/6 to 3s. Size of farms: 4 to 14 acres. Soil partly argillaceous, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Names: Lynch and Brick. There are 2 ancient forts here.

Glebe of Askeaton No.1. -- B.S.S.M.

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Glebe of Askeaton No. 1. -- Rev. George Maxwell Vicar  
 .. .. -- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.  
 Glebe -- Presentment Book 1839

See parish name. J. O'D.

Situated in the south portion of the parish.

Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar of Askeaton, and Sir Mathew Blakiston, who sold his part to R. Hunt, Esquire, for £1 10s., the proprietors. County Cess per acre yearly 2/2 to 3/6 per acre. Tithe per acre 2s. 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. Soil light and good, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Fuel none. Mr. Maxwell holds during his incumbency. There is a Glebe House here, 3 stories high, in good repair, built by the Revd. Richard Murray. It is occupied at present by the Revd. George Maxwell.

Glebe of Askeaton No. 2. -- B.S.S.M.

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See above .

Situated in the south portion of the parish.

The property of the Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar, who lets to one tenant at will at £4 per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/2 to 3/6. Tithe none. Size of farms: 1 rd. and 28 acres plantation measure. Soil good and light, producing potatoes, wheat and barley. Prevailing Names: Ledwick. There is a school established here since 1834, and supported by subscription. It contains 59 boys and 58 girls. 65 Catholics and 52 Protestants.



Moig North

-- B.S.S.M.

19

Mágh, a plain.

Moig North

-- J. O'D.

-- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar.

-- Revd. Edwd. Cussen, P.P.

-- Lord Guillamore, Propr.

Moig

-- Sur. &amp; Val. Ireland 1824

-- Presentment Book 1839

Situating in the N. of the parish.

The property of Lord Guillamore, Knockbarton, Bruff. Agent, the Hon. John O'Grady, Rockbarton, Bruff. Let to 34 tenants at will; rent per acre from £1 10s. to £3. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/6 to 3/10. Size of farms: 2 acres to 16 acres. Soil light, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Names: Lyons and Handly. There are two forts in this td.

Moig South

-- B.S.S.M.

20

See above.

Situating in the N. of the parish. It is traversed by a road from N. to S., and there are 5 ancient forts within its bounds.

The property of Lord Guillamore. Agent, the Hon. John O'Grady. Let to 27 tenants at will. Rent from £1 10s. to £3. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2s.6d. to 3s.10d. Tithe from 1/4 to 4s. per acre. Size of farms: 2 to 18 acres. Soil light, producing crops, wheat, oats and potatoes. Fuel scarce. Prevailing names: Madigan and Ready. The River Deel waters this td. and contains salmon, pike, perch, trout and eel. The ruins of Askeaton stand here. The walls are all standing, but in a state of decay.

Shannon View

-- B.S.S.M.

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Shannon View

-- J. O'D.

-- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar

-- Revd. Edwd Cussen, P.P.

Situating in the N. of the parish.

The property of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Cork. Agent, Danl. Leahy, Esq., Cork. Middleman, Vincent Brown, who sublets to one tenant on a lease of 7 years at £5 per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2/6 to 3/10. Size of farms: 19 acres. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Name: Odell. The River Deel waters this td., and contains salmon, pike, etc. Shannon View House, a rectangular building, three stories high and in good repair, stands here. It was built by J. S. Browne in 1820, and is occupied at present by Thomas Odell. It has a plain garden attached.

Inchyruork -- Barony Map 22

Inse Uí Ruairc, O'Rourke's island. J. O'D.

Inchyrourk -- J. O'D.

Situated on the E. bank of the River Deel, about a  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile to the south of the town of Askeaton.

The residence of R. Hunt, Esq. The house forms three sides of a rectangle, and was built about 90 years ago.

Castle Hewson -- Barony Map 23

Castle Hewson -- J. O'D.

-- Local

Situated in the townland of Ballyengland Upper.

This house consists of two rectangular buildings, lying E. and W. of each other, and communicating by a smaller building. The E. wing is 3 stories high; the W. wing only 2 stories. The castle was surrounded by a wall, on the foundation of which the south wall of Castle Hewson House appears to be built. The house is occupied by Wm. Hewson.

Ballynort House -- Barony Map 24

See townland -- J. O'D.

Situated in the td. of Ballynort.

These ruins are of a rectangular form, and were formerly the residence of the Taylor family.

Mantle Hill House -- Barony Map 25

Unoc na Fallainge, hill of the mantle. J. O'D.

Ballynash Castle -- J. O'D.

-- Captn. John Hunt.

Situated in the townland of Ballynash, on the E. bank of the R. Deel.

The residence of Captain John Hunt. This is a rectangular building, two stories high and in bad repair. It is said to be built on the site of Ballynash Old Castle.

Shannon View House -- Local 26

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the west of the townland.

The residence of Barrister Thomas Odell. This is a rectangular building, 3 stories high and in good repair. It was built by J. S. Browne in 1820

<u>Glebe House</u>	-- Revd. George Maxwell, Vicar	26
Glebe House	-- J. O'D.	
Askeaton Glebe	-- See letter	

Situated in the Glebe of Askeaton No. 1.

This house is 3 stories high, was built by the Revd. Richd. Murray, and is occupied by the Revd. George Maxwell.

<u>Court Browne Castle Ruins</u>	-- Local	27
	-- J. O'D.	

Situated in the centre of the td. of Court Browne.

Only the west gable of this castle remains standing. The rest is razed to the ground.

<u>Castle Hewson (ruins)</u>	-- Local	28
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Situated in the townland of Ballyengland Upper.

These ruins stand immediately to the north of Castle Hewson House. They are of a rectangular form. The walls are all standing and perfect. It is 2 stories high, with an arched roof.

<u>Askeaton Castle ruins</u>	-- Local	29
	-- J. O'D.	

Situated on an island at the town of Askeaton, in the td. of Aghalacka.

Part of the N. and W. walls are standing and perfect. Height about 90 feet. The other walls are down. The mode of ascent was a spiral staircase, the lower part of which is perfect. When this castle was attacked by the English forces, the Earl of Desmond with his family retired to Carrigaholt, leaving a train of gunpowder concealed under the E. part of the castle, which exploded and reduced the castle to its present condition.

<u>Askeaton Flour Mills</u>	-- Local	30
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Situated on the W. bank of the River Deel, in the S. end of Askeaton Td.

It is a rectangular building 66 feet long and 48 feet broad and 6 stories high. It is worked by one breast shot water wheel, diameter 14 feet, breadth 11 feet, and fall 2 feet, being 30 horse power. It was built in 1825 by John Hewson, Esq., Castle Hewson, Askeaton.

<u>Askeaton Rock Mills</u>	-- Paul Erson	31
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Situated in the Td. of Askeaton, on the E. bank of the River Deel.

There are two Flour Mills here joined together. One of

those mills was built about 45 years ago by Mr. Studdert, Askeaton. It is a rectangular building, 3 stories high, and worked by one water wheel, which is three quarter breast shot, its diameter 18 feet, its breadth  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet. The other mill was built in 1832 by Paul Erson, the present proprietor. It is also 3 stories high and worked by an overshot water wheel, the diameter of which is 14 feet and breadth 5 feet. There is a store attached to the mills.

Askeaton -- Local 32

Situated on the banks of the River Deel in the parish of Askeaton.

The property of Sir Mathew Blackiston, England. It is pleasantly situated on both sides of the river, and contains a Church, a Chapel, the ruins of an Abbey, a Petty Sessions Court House and a Police Station containing 5 subconstables and a sergeant. It has 14 Publicans, an Inn-keeper, 9 Bakers, 9 Carpenters, 2 Nailers, 11 Butchers, 6 Smiths, 7 Taylors, 6 Weavers, and 6 shopkeepers. There is a small weekly market held here.

Rockview House -- Local 33  
-- J. O'D.

Situated on the east bank of the River Deel.

The residence of Paul Erson, the proprietor of Askeaton Mills. The house is two stories high, is slated, and is in good repair.

Abbey Ruins -- Local

Situated on the east bank of the River Deel at the town of Askeaton in the td. of Moig South.

A large ruin, of which the walls are all standing, but are fast mouldering away.

Sunday's Holy Well -- Local 34

Tobar Righ an Domhnaigh, well of the King of Sunday.

Sunday Well -- J. O'D.

Situated in the Td. of Moig South.

Stations are performed here by the peasantry on Sunday mornings before sun-rise.

Aughavorla Bridge -- Local 35

Áith a' Mharla, ford of the marl. J. O'D.

Aghavaurla -- J. O'D.

On the boundary between the tds of Ballyhoman and Bally-

Aughavorla Bridge (contd)

england Lower.

This is a small bridge over a tributary of the River Deel on the line of road connecting Limerick and Askeaton.

Ballydoo Bridge

-- Local

-- J. O'D.

Beal Áith Duibh, mouth of the black ford. J. O'D.

Situated on the boundary between the tds. of Moig South and Ballynort.

This is a small bridge over a tributary of the R. Deel.

Hogan's Bridge

-- Local

-- J. O'D.

36

Situated in the boundary between the townlands of Moig South and Moig North.

A small bridge over a tributary of the River Deel on the line of road connecting Askeaton and Pallas Kenry.

Goleen Bridge

-- Local

Goilín or Goibhlín, a small fork or angle formed by the meeting of two streams. J. O'D.

Goleen Bridge

-- J. O'D.

Situated at the meeting of the three townlands of Moig South, Shannon View, and Ballynash.

A small bridge over a tributary of the River Deel.

Gortnagranagher Fort

-- Local

37

Gort a' Ghreannachair, field of the gravel.

Gortnagranagher

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the td. of Moig North.

This fort is about 2 chains in diameter.

Moig Fort

-- Local

See Td. J. O'D.

Situated in the td. of Moig South.

This fort is about 3 chains in diameter.

Caherduff Fort

Caherduff Fort                    -- Local  
 Cathair Dhubh, the black stone fort. J. O'D.  
 Caherduff                            -- J. O'D.  
 Situated in the td. of Moig South.  
 This fort is about 1 chain in diameter.

River Deel                    -- Barony Surveyor's Sketch Map                    38

An Daoil.

This name is found in Scotland, and even in England under the form 'Dale'.

River Deel                            -- J. O'D.

A portion of this river is situated in the West of the Parish of Askeaton. It flows through the town of Askeaton and empties itself into the River Shannon.

This river is navigable at the mouth for a mile.

Gurtnagranagher Lough                    -- Local                    39

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Gortnagranagher Lough                    -- J. O'D.

Situated in the townland of Moig North.

This is a small lake situated in a marsh, and containing about 1 acre English.

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End of Askeaton Parish

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